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FACILITATION OF WAFER FABRICATION EQUIPMENT  
Group Art Unit : unknown

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97,  
applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the  
following references:

U.S. Patent No. 2,814,995, Sullivan, Jr. et al.

U.S. Patent No. 3,036,375, Schlosser, Jr. et al.

\*U.S. Patent No. 3,676,568, Fork

U.S. Patent No. 3,713,620, Tkach

\*U.S. Patent No. 3,721,051, Fork

U.S. Patent No. 3,843,281, Meylan et al.

\*Since this reference is readily available from the parent applications Serial Nos. 09/906,395, filed July 15, 2001, and 09/706,435, filed November 3, 2000, Applicant is not providing copies with this Information Disclosure Statement.

\*U.S. Patent No. 3,913,964, Lukeman  
\*U.S. Patent No. 3,932,696, Fork et al.  
\*U.S. Patent No. 4,012,873, Lindner  
\*U.S. Patent No. 4,178,469, Fork  
\*U.S. Patent No. 4,194,332, Fork  
U.S. Patent No. 4,243,197, Wright  
\*U.S. Patent No. 4,289,921, Gartner et al.  
\*U.S. Patent No. 4,323,723, Fork et al.  
U.S. Patent No. 4,480,656, Johnson  
U.S. Patent No. 4,505,449, Turner et al.  
\*U.S. Patent No. 4,523,416, Payne et al.  
\*U.S. Patent No. 4,558,544, Albrecht et al.  
U.S. Patent No. 4,572,474, Derlich  
\*U.S. Patent No. 4,603,523, Albrecht et al.  
\*U.S. Patent No. 4,721,476, Zeliff et al.  
\*U.S. Patent No. 4,728,750, Teslovich  
\*U.S. Patent No. 4,835,924, Blacklin et al.  
\*U.S. Patent No. 4,850,162, Albrecht  
U.S. Patent No. 5,107,775, Langlais et al.  
\*U.S. Patent No. 5,123,435, Blacklin et al.  
U.S. Patent No. 5,323,903, Bush et al.  
U.S. Patent No. 5,333,825, Christensen  
U.S. Patent No. 5,398,620, Rouch

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U.S. Patent No. 5,713,550, Schwarzli

\*U.S. Patent No. 5,738,436, Cummings et al.

\*U.S. Patent No. 6,066,807, Gudgeon

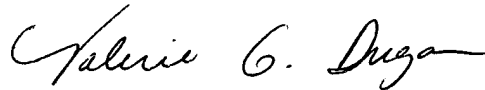
U.S. Patent No. 6,324,800, Valentz et al.

\*Foreign Art Reference No. EP 094 780 A1 (Europe)

These references are also listed on the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement (Form PTO-1449) and copies are provided herewith.

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this patent application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully Submitted,



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